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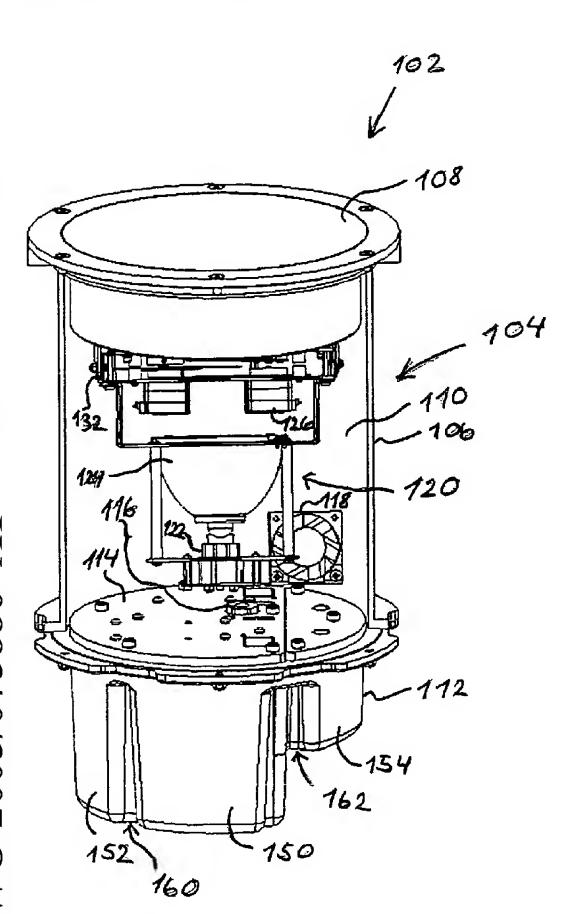
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(54) Title: IN GROUND LIGHTING FIXTURE



(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to an apparatus for illumination comprising a housing suited for in ground use, which housing might contain at least one lamp, which lamp can be surrounded by reflective means, which housing further can comprise Tight changing means, which housing also can comprise control means for controlling at least the lamp and the Tight changing means. The scope of the invention is to reduce the content of moisture in an in ground lamp in allowing air having a content of evaporated water to be released from the lamp to the surroundings and only allow air without moisture to enter the in ground lamp. This can be achieved with a housing comprising an outer casing which casing might comprise at least one diaphragm covering at least one downwards directed opening in the casing, which opening is open towards the surrounding environment, where the diaphragm can be permeable.for moisture for transmission from the inside of the housing to the outside, where the diaphragm can be water tight from the outside. Hereby, protection of the diaphragm from the harsh environment above the apparatus is achieved. The diaphragm is also protected from being covered by ice and/or snow, and if the apparatus as such is overflowed, there will probably be an air pocket at least partly below the apparatus around the diaphragm. This apparatus can operate normally in nearly all environments. Even in a situation where the apparatus is completely overflowed, the diaphragm is as such protected from water penetrating from the outside. As soon as the apparatus is in operation, increasing pressure will force air from the inside through the diaphragm out in the surrounding water where bubbles are formed.

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